

THOSE PRIVILEGED TO SERVE TODAY!

(next week)

Greeter	Jacob S. (Jason T.)
Song leader	Noah R. (Troy W.)
Prayer	Andy K. (Roger C.)
Table	Kim S. (Nathan C.) Andrew S. (Billy C.)
Scripture Reader	Tanner W. (Noah R.)
Speaker	John M.
Closing Prayer	Troy W. (Steve H.)
Communion Prep	Janene O.
Speaker- PM	John M.
Wed. Song Leader	Jason T. (8/5) (Andy K.)
A/V	Jason T. (Jacob S.)

PLAN OF SALVATION

Hear the Gospel

Romans 10:17

Believe the Gospel

Hebrews 11:6

Repent

Acts 2:38

Confess Jesus as Lord

Romans 10:9-10

Be Immersed

1 Peter 3:21

Remain Faithful

Revelation 2:10

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Center Point Road
Church of Christ

Welcome to

CENTER POINT ROAD CHURCH OF CHRIST

We are a family whose purpose is to glorify God, lead others to Christ, minister to people's needs, and encourage each other to grow in faith and in His word so we may enjoy eternal life with Him.

ASSEMBLY TIMES

Sunday

9:30 Bible Classes

10:30 Worship Service

6:00 Worship Service

Wednesday

7:00 Bible Classes

All services available live on
the church website or
YouTube

AUGUST 2, 2026

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Church Workday

A church workday is
scheduled for August 15th,
starting at 9:00 AM.

Imriel Eagle Scout Project

Imriel is seeking volunteers
August 8th for help with her
Eagle Scout Project. See Imriel
for more details.

Terry's 80th Birthday Party

Join us to celebrate Terry Tull's
80th birthday with an open
house from 2-5, August 29th,
at Elmcrest. See the invitation
on the back bulletin board for
more details.

Pray Over Iowa

Pray Over Iowa is scheduled
for September 26th. More
details to follow.

MY FORTRESS

By: John McGiffin

In the movie “Close Encounters of the Third Kind,” there is a military base on top of Devil’s Tower in Wyoming. It is a natural formation of rock jutting out of the landscape 1267 feet. It is mostly a sheer cliff face on all sides. A perfect place for a military base if indeed one was needed. It is easily defended, and you would feel completely safe while residing on top of the mountain. Few, if any, enemies would even attempt to infiltrate.

There is a similar mountain structure in the desert of ancient Judea. Masada was 1300 feet high and was known for offering protection to anyone who resided there. The word Masada simply means fortress.

David used this place while he was hiding in the desert. Later, King Herod built a huge fortress there. It housed 10,000 soldiers and held a 37,000 square foot palace. This place indeed was considered a great fortress.

During the first Jewish-Roman War, Jerusalem was destroyed just as the Bible prophesied and warned about. There was mass destruction and famine during this time (66-70 AD). The Temple was burned and completely destroyed. A group of 967 Jewish rebels called the Sicarii fled to Masada. They were able to hold out for months before the massive

Roman army was able to breach the walls. Masada was indeed the perfect fortress.

While David was hiding there, he wrote about Masada. “The Lord is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer; My God, my strength, in whom I will trust; My shield and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold” (Psalm 18:2).

David certainly had a way with words and imagery. Masada became a tangible representation of God’s protection for David. God was always there when David needed Him. David, looking upon the majesty of the mountain, reminded him that God was his strong tower and a place where he felt safe.

We may face troubles, but God promises to be a fortress to His people. It is a promise that no trouble can TRULY harm a child of God. Our inheritance is not here but with Him in heaven. It is good to be reminded of this. Romans 8:35-37: Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? 36 As it is written: “For Your sake we are killed all day long; We are accounted as sheep for the slaughter.” 37 Yet in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us.

Birthdays & Anniversaries



- 8/1: Brad McGowan
- 8/4: Dennis Thompson
- 8/5: Nancy Wallis
- 8/8: Dwayne Powell
- 8/9: Marlo Cotts
- 8/17: Lori McGowan
- 8/19: Bruce Danielson
- 8/20: Jaxom Kennedy
- 8/21: Connie Phillips
- 8/21: Mary Phillips
- 8/30: Terry Tull



- 8/18: Darin & Lozia Edgington
- 8/21: Jeff & Suzanne Conquest

TRIVIA

1. Which prophet married Gomer?
2. Who was the first Christian martyr?
3. Who was the father of Methuselah?

1. Grape, pomegranates, and figs
2. King Belshazzar
3. Hannah
Last week answers:

PRAYER LIST

- Marnetta Tillman** – Health
- Emma Wallis** – Mission trip
- Patty Forkenbrock** – Cancer
- Mary Kay Pinckney** –Cancer
- Jacy Saucedo** – Health
- Jeff Abrams** – Health
- Doug Mottern** – Health issues
- Doug Phillips and family** –Health
- Elianna Sorensen** – Health and successful OT therapy for picky eating
- Barb Vandeventer** – Health after stroke and fall
- John Martinez** – Cancer
- The Anderson Family** – Individual making their family feel unsafe.
- Dustin Desarro** – Undergoing tests for potential cancer diagnosis